Radio Program Log

of

Marían and Jím Jordan

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Air Scouts
1927-1929

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AIR SCOUTS

Radio Program Log 1927 to 1929

One of Marian and Jim Jordan's earliest regular radio programs was a sustained thirty-minute children's series titled AIR SCOUTS. This program of stories, songs, and skits was broadcast over Chicago's WENR, six nights per week at 7:00 pm for approximately the first 327 programs. Then, the program was shifted to five nights per week, 5:00 to 5:30 pm. AIR SCOUTS premiered the first Monday of October, 1927, and the Jordans continued as principal actors through 1929.

According to Jim Jordan in a personal interview in July of 1980, he and Marian had a wonderful time with this program, but had a complex schedule and found it necessary to step out of AIR SCOUTS. While starring on the SMITH FAMILY and several other radio programs on three different stations, they also owned, managed, and performed their own vaudeville company four nights per week (Thursday through Sunday). After completing an AIR SCOUTS skit, or a SMITH FAMILY program at 5:30 pm, the Jordans would move on to the theater that evening to perform their vaudeville acts.

When the Jordans did step aside in December of 1929, they were replaced by two other WENR staff actors, Irma Glenn and Everett Mitchell. The program's title was changed as well to AIR JUNIORS and continued entertaining Chicago's children for several years into the 30's, still at 5:00 pm, five nights per week.

It is worthy to note that the Jordans built a repertoire of dozens of voices in those early years. Most notable was Marian's little girl voice which she continued to use in SMACKOUT from 1931 to 1935, and most notably as "Teeny" in FIBBER MCGEE AND MOLLY, 1935 to 1959. AIR SCOUTS was one of the Jordan's early proving grounds that would build their combined character and establish them as indelible stars in the minds and imaginations of America's radio listening audience.

Sources: "Chicago Daily News" microfilms, logs and articles from the daily radio features page, loaned by the University of Chicago, Illinois; 8-01-27 to 3-31-30.

Personal Interview: Jim Jordan at his home, Wednesday, July 30, 1980 by Tom Price.

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Pgm #	Title	Day	Date	Time of Day	Notes
1	Air Scouts ran M-Sat	M	10/3/27	7:00-7:30 pm	Premiere: Children's
thru	consistently through	thru	thru		pgm starring Marian
327	pgm #327, Sat. Oct. 13, 1928	S	10/13/28	1	and Jim Jordan
		Sun	10/14		
328	Air Scouts	M	10/15	7:00-7:30 pm	
329	п	T	10/16	II	
330	н	W	10/17	. 11	
331	H .	Th	10/18	II.	
332	п	F	10/19	п	
		S	10/20		
		Sun	10/21		
333	Air Scouts	M	10/22	7:00-7:30 pm	
334	н	T	10/23	n .	
335	н	W	10/24	11	
336	II .	Th	10/25	11	
337	11	F	10/26	11	
		S	10/27		
		Sun	10/28		
338	Air Scouts	M	10/29	5:00-5:30 pm	Time change
339	II .	T	10/30	"	
340	II .	W	10/31	11	
341	n .	Th	11/1	II	
342	"	F	11/2	11	
		S	11/3		
		Sun	11/4	•	
343	Air Scouts	M	11/5	5:00-5:30 pm	
		T	11/6	•	Matinee
		W	11/7		Classical hour
		Th	11/8		Organ
344	Air Scouts	F	11/9	5:00-5:30 pm	•
345	II .	S	11/10	"	
346	n .	Sun	11/11	11	
347	11	M	11/12		
		T	11 / 13		Matinee
		W	11/14		Classical hour
		Th	11/15		Organ
348	Air Scouts	F	11/16	5:00-5:30 pm	
349	11	s S	11/17	ii	
350	II .	Sun	11/18	11	
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Pgm #	Title	Day	Date	Time of Day	Notes
		M	11/19		
		T.	11/20		Matinee
		W	11/21		Classical hour
		Th	11/22		Organ
351	Air Scouts	F	11/23	5:00-5:30 pm	9
352	11	S	11/24	"	
353	II	Sun	11/25	11	
354	II	M	11/26	11	
		T	11/27	II.	Matinee
		W	11/28	11	Classical hour
355	Air Scouts	Th	11/29	11	
356	11	F	11/30	11	
357	11	S	12/1	II .	
358	II .	Sun	12/2	II	
		M	12/3	II	
		T	12/4	ıı ·	Matinee
		W	12/5		Classical hour
		Th	12/6	II .	Organ
359	Air Scouts	. F	12/7	II	3
360.	11	S	12/8	11	
		Sün	12/9	11	
		M	12/10	H	
		T	12/11	u .	Matinee
		W	12/12	11	Classical hour
		Th	12/13	11	Organ
361	Air Scouts	F	12/14	II	
362	11	S	12/15	II .	
363	II	Sun	12/16	II	
364	11	М	12/17	11	
		T	12/18	II	Matinee
		W	12/19	11	Classical hour
		Th	12/20	11	Organ
365	Air Scouts	F	12/21	II .	-
366	11	S	12/22	11	
367	11	Sun	12/23	11	
368	II .	M	12/24	II	
		T	12/25	II	Matinee
		W	12/26	11	Classical hour
369	Air Scouts	Th	12/27	11	
370	п	F	12/28	II .	
371	II	S	12/29	11	
		Sun	12/30	11	
372	Air Scouts	М	12/31	n	

Pgm #	Title	Day	Date	Time of Day	Notes
		Т	1/1	5:00-5:30 pm	Matinee
		W	1/2	п	Classical hour
373	Air Scouts	Th	1/3	II .	
374	11	F	1/4	II .	
375	II	S	1/5	11	
373		Sun	1/6	11	
376	Air Scouts	M	1/7	u	
370	All 300013	T	1/8	II.	Matinee
		w	1/9	II .	Pgm
277	Ata Casuta	Th	1/10	11	rgiii
377	Air Scouts	F		II	
378	ıı .	\$	1/11	11	
379			1/12	11	
		Sun	1/13		
		W	1/14		
380	Air Scouts	T	1/15		
381		W	1/16		
382	II .	Th	1/17		
383	11	F	1/18	"	
384	II	S	1/19	"	
		Sun	1/20	II .	
		M	1/21	II .	
385	Air Scouts	T	1/22	II .	
386	11	W	1/23	11	
387	II	Th	1/24	II	
388	II	F	1/25	11	
389	11	S	1/26	11	
		Sun	1/27	H	
		M	1/28	11	
		T	1/29	II .	Pgm
390	Air Scouts	W	1/30	II .	. 3
391	11	Th	1/31	II .	
392	11		2/1	II .	
393	11	F S	2/2	11	
0,0		Sun	2/3	11	
		M -	2/4	II .	
		T	2/ 4 2/5	11	D
394	Air Scouts	W	2/5 2/6	11	Pgm
395	Air acours		2/0	11	
396	ii	Th	2/7	11	
	11	F S	2/8	11	
397			2/9		
		Sun	2/10	"	
		W	2/11		
200	4.0	T	2/12	"	Pgm
398	Air Scouts	W	2/13	11	
399	11	<u>T</u> h	2/14	"	
400	"	F	2/15	11	

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401	Air Scouts	S .	2/16	5:00-5:30 pm	
		Sun	2/17	"	
		M	2/18	II	
		T	2/19	11	Pgm
402	Air Scouts	W	2/20	II .	•
403	11	Th	2/21	11	
404	п	F	2/22	II .	
405	' n	S	2/23	11	
		Sun	2/24	II	
		M	2/25	II	
		T	2/26	, 11	
406	Air Scouts	w	2/27	16	
407	II	Th	2/28	11	
408	II.	F	3/1	II	
409	11	Ś	3/2	II	
407		Sun	3/3	11	
		M	3/4	11	
		T	3/5	II .	Pgm
410	Air Scouts	w	3/6	n '	ı g
411	Air 3cours	Th	3/7	II	
412	II .	F	3/8	II	
413	II .	S	3/9	II .	
413				u	
		Sun	3/10	n .	D
		M T	3/11	n .	Pgm Para
414	A : C	W	3/12 3/13	11	Pgm
	Air Scouts			n .	
415 416	11	Th	3/14	11	
		F S	3/15	II	
417			3/16	II	
		Sun	3/17	11	
		M T	3/18	11	D
410	A in Casula	W	3/19	11	Pg m
418	Air Scouts		3/20	11	
419		Th	3/21		
420	11	F	3/22		
421		S	3/23		
		Sun	3/24		
		M	3/25	11 11	
400	4. 6	T	3/26	"	Pgm
422	Air Scouts	W	3/27	"	
423	" "	Th	3/28	" "	
424		F	3/29	"	
425	••	S	3/30		
	_	Sun	3/31	"	Melange

Pgm #	Title	Day	Date	Time of Day	Notes	
		M .	4/1	5:00-5:30 pm	Pgm	
		T	4/2	11	Pgm	
426	Air Scouts	W	4/3	II		•
427	"	Th	4/4	ıı		
428	11	F	4/5	11		
429	11	S	4/6	H		
767		Sun	4/7	H	Melange	
		M	4/8	II .	Pgm	
		T	4/9	11	Pgm	
430	Air Scouts	W	4/10	II	· 3 ···	
431	"	Th	4/11	11		
432	II	F	4/12	II		
433	11	S	4/13	11		
100		Sun	4/14	11	Melange	
		M	4/15	11	Pgm	
		Ť	4/16	11	Pgm	
434	Air Scouts	·	4/17	11	. 5	
435	"	Th	4/18	11		
436		F	4/19	11		
437	II .	Š	4/20	11		
40/		Sun	4/21	11	Melange	
		M	4/22	II	Pgm	
		T	4/23	11	Pgm	
438	Air Scouts	W	4/24	II	1 9	
438 439	All 3 Cools	Th	4/25	11		
440		F	4/26	н		
441		S	4/27	11		
 1		Sun	4/28	11	Melange	
		M	4/29	п	Pgm	
		T T	4/30	II	Pgm	
442	A :- C	w	5/1	n	ı gili	
442 443	Air Scouts	Th	5/2	n		
443 444		F	5/3	11		
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		M T	5/6	ii	Pgm	
447	۸۰ ۲		5/7 5/8	11	Pgm	
446	Air Scouts	W	5/8 5/0	11		
447		Th	5/9	11		
448	n	F S	5/10 5/11			
449			5/11 5/12		Mal	
		Sun	5/12	"	Melange	
		M	5/13			
450	A * C	T	5/14	 n		
450	Air Scouts	W	5/15			

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451	Air Scouts	Th	5/16	5:00-5:30 pm	
452	II .	F	5/17	n	
453	11	S	5/18	II	
100		Sun	5/19	11	
		M	5/20	II	
		T	5/21	II	
454	Air Scouts	W	5/22	11	
455	11	Th	5/23	11	
456	u	F	5/24	ıı .	
		S	5/25	11	(Air Juniors)
		Sun	5/26	n	,
		M	5/27	II	
		T	5/28	11	
457	Air Scouts	W	5/29	11	
458	11	Th	5/30	II	
459	II	F	5/31	H	
,		S	6/1	11	(Air Juniors)
		Sun	6/2	II	,
		M	6/3		
		T	6/4	11	
460	Air Scouts	W	6/5	11	
	,	Th	6/6	H ,	(Air Juniors)
		F	6/7	11	11
		S	6/8	11	u
		Sun	6/9	II	
		M	6/10	u	
		T	6/11	II	
461	Air Scouts	W	6/12	II	
462	11	Th	6/13	11	(Air Juniors)
		F	6/14	II	II
		S	6/15	11	11
		Sun	6/16	II	
		M	6/17	ti	
		T	6/18	II	
463	Air Scouts	W	6/19	11	
	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	Th	6/20	11	(Air Juniors)
		F	6/21	11	11
		S	6/22	11	II .
		Sun	6/23	11	
		M	6/24	11	
		T	6/25	11	(Air Juniors)
464	Air Scouts	W	6/26	11	,
		Th	6/27	II .	(Air Juniors)
		F	6/28	п	"
		S	6/29	11	II .
		Sun	6/30	11	

Pgm #	Title	Day	Date	Time of Day	Notes
		M ,	7/1	5:00-5:30 pm	(Air Juniors)
		T	7/2	u .	п
465	Air Scouts	W	7/3	n .	
		Th	7/4	II .	(Air Juniors)
		F	7/5	"	п
		S	7/6	11	"
		Sun	7/7	"	
		M	7/8	11	(Air Juniors)
		T	7/9	11	11
466	Air Scouts	W	7/10		
		Th	7/11	• 11	(Air Juniors)
		F	7/12	11	11
		S	7/13		н
		Sun	7/14	11	
,		W	7/15		(Air Juniors)
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467	Air Scouts	W	7/17	"	
		Th	7/18	"	(Air Juniors)
		F	7/19	"	"
		S	7/20		. "
		Sun	7/21	"	
		W	7/22		(Air Juniors)
440	A. 6	T	7/23	"	"
468	Air Scouts	W	7/24		
		Th .	7/25	"	(Air Juniors)
		F	7/26	11	"
		S	7/27	"	11
		Sun	7/28		/
		M	7/29	"	(Air Juniors)
440	A • C • ·	T	7/30		"
469	Air Scouts	W	7/31	"	//
		Th	8/1	" "	(Air Juniors)
		F	8/2	 11	
		S	8/3	" "	"
		Sun	8/4	 H	/A• • • • •
		M	8/5	 II	(Air Juniors)
470	Ata Casada	T	8/6	 II	
4/0	Air Scouts	W	8/7		/A*. 1 • • · ·
		Th F	8/8 8/9	 II	(Air Juniors)
		S	8/10	11	 II
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		T	8/13	11	(Air Juniors)
471	Air Scouts	W	8/14	11	
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S 8/17 Sun 8/18	5:00-5:30 pm " " "	(Air Juniors) (Air Juniors)
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	II	(Air Juniors)
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472 Air Scouts W 8/21		•
Th 8/22	II .	(Air Juniors)
F 8/23	II .	· · · ·
S 8/24	II	11
Sun 8/25	11	
M 8/26	II .	(Air Juniors)
T 8/27	II .	11
473 Air Scouts W 8/28	п	
Th 8/29	II .	(Air Juniors)
F 8/30	II .	11
S 8/31	11	н
Sun 9/1	11	
M 9/2	tt .	(Air Juniors)
T 9/3	16	II .
474 Air Scouts W 9/4	11	•
Th 9/5	н	(Air Juniors)
F 9/6	11	11
s 9/7	t1	11
Sun 9/8	11	
M 9/9	II	(Air Juniors)
T 9/10	11	II .
475 Air Scouts W 9/11	11	
Th 9/12	11	(Air Juniors)
F 9/13	H .	II .
S 9/14	II	п
Sun 9/15	11	
M 9/16	II .	(Air Juniors)
T 9/17	11	11
476 Air Scouts W 9/18	10	
Th 9/19	11	(Air Juniors)
F 9/20	II	11
S 9/21	II	n
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M 9/23		(Air Juniors)
T 9/24	II .	II .
477 Air Scouts W 9/25	11	
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S 9/28	11	u .
Sun 9/29	11	
M 9/30	п	(Air Juniors)

Pgm #	Title	Day	Date	Time of Day	Notes
		T ,	10/1	5:00-5:30 pm	(Air Juniors)
478	Air Scouts	W	10/2	11	
		Th	10/3	II .	(Air Juniors)
		F	10/4	"	II .
		S	10/5	11	II .
		Sun	10/6	"	
		M	10/7	11	(Air Juniors)
		T	10/8	11	11
479	Air Scouts	W	10/9	11	
		Th	10/10	11	(Air Juniors)
		F	10/11	II ·	11
		S	10/12	"	II
		Sun	10/13	"	
		M	10/14	"	(Air Juniors)
•		T	10/15	"	11
480	Air Scouts	W	10/16	11	
		Th	10/17	II .	(Air Juniors)
		F	10/18	II .	11
		S	10/19	II .	11
		Sun	10/20	11	
		M	10/21	II	(Air Juniors)
		T	10/22	II	11
481	Air Scouts	W .	10/23	II .	
		Th	10/24	ш	(Air Juniors)
		F	10/25	II	11
		S	10/26	11	II .
		Sun ·	10/27	11	
		M	10/28	п	(Air Juniors)
		T	10/29	11	11
482	Air Scouts	W	10/30	II .	
		Th	10/31	II	(Air Juniors)
		F	11/1	II	11
		S	11/2	11	II
		Sun	11/3	II .	
		M	11/4	H	(Air Juniors)
		T	11/5	11	11
483	Air Scouts	W	11/6	11	
		Th	11/7	II	(Air Juniors)
		F	11/8	H	II .
		S	11/9	11	11
		Sun	11/10		
		M	11/11	11	(Air Juniors)
		T	11/12	. 11	11
484	Air Scouts	W	11/13	**	
		Th	11/14	II .	(Air Juniors)
		F	11/15	11	u

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		S .	11/16	5:00-5:30 pm	(Air Juniors)
		Sun	11/17	11	,
		M	11/18	и	(Air Juniors)
		T	11/19	II .	11
485	Air Scouts	w	11/20	II .	
400	/ 5 cc c. c	Th	11/21	11	(Air Juniors)
		F	11/22	11	11
		S	11/23	II .	
		Sun	11/24	11	
		M	11/25	II .	(Air Juniors)
		T	11/26	11	"
486	Air Scouts	w	11/27	n	
400	All 300013	Th	11/28	u	(Air Juniors)
		F	11/29	11	"
		S	11/30	ıı	II
		Sun	12/1	п	
		M	12/2	n .	(Air Juniors)
		T	12/3	II .	(711 3011013)
487	Air Scouts	w	12/4	u .	
40/	All Joolis	Th	12/5	11	(Air Juniors)
		F	12/6	"	(711 3011013)
		S	12/7	n .	11
		Sun	12/8	II .	
		M	12/9	11	(Air Juniors)
		T	12/10	11	
488	Air Scouts	W	12/11	n	
+00	Air acours	Th	12/12	11	(Air Juniors)
		F	12/13	II .	
	•	\$	12/13	11	II .
	•	Sun	12/15	II .	
		M	12/16	11	(Air Juniors)
		T	12/17	п	
489	Air Scouts	w	12/18	11	
407	Air 3cours	Th	12/19	11	(Air Juniors)
		F	12/20	n .	
		\$	12/21	II .	íi .
		Sun	12/22	11	
		M	12/23	II .	(Air Juniors)
		T	12/24	11	(All Juliots)
490	Air Sœuts	w	12/25	11	
770	All 30015	Th	12/26	n	(Air Juniors)
		F	12/27	II	
		5	12/27	11	11
		Sun	12/28	II .	
		M	12/29	II.	(Air Juniors)
491	Air Scouts (Final)	T	12/30	11	(WIL JOHIOLZ)
7/1	All 200012 (Ling)	i	12/31		